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A newsletter for the members of the Maryland Orchid Society

April 2009

## president's message

It was a dark and stormy night.\* It started with a wall of nasty looking clouds, which rapidly led to wind and then heavy rain showers. But then the unexpected happened: A cacophony of noise suddenly filled the air as all manner of sirens and alarms went off in unison. It was jarring to experience all that noise in a place that normally is so calming. The remarkable thing is that aside from standing up straight and looking around momentarily to wonder at the meaning of the acoustic interruption, nearly everyone simply shrugged and continued the work that they had collectively gathered to perform.

What am I talking about? Well, I'm talking about the kind of fun you can have at an away show. Specifically, this story took place during tear down at the Longwood Gardens International

Orchid Show on 29 March. Admittedly, installing an exhibit is usually more exciting than tearing down one, but sometimes odd probabilities find ways of expressing themselves. It turned out to be a memorable away show experience.

Our next society event is the 18 April Workshop. While even a mundane outcome will be an occasion to learn about orchids and share the camaraderie of fellow members, don't miss an opportunity to perhaps experience even more.

Gary

\* Yes, I always wanted to start a story with this sentence.

## MOS Gets "Culture"

We've recently had some inquiries about promoting discussion and knowledge transfer between our members. One of these ideas was to host a panel of experts pulled from within our own ranks to field questions from the general membership. We're taking advantage of a lack of external speakers (How's that for spin) to bring this opportunity to you at our April meeting.

Come prepared with your cultural questions and enjoy an informative meeting of discourse. Note that while the agenda is open, light-handed facilitation will keep the topics varied and relevant to the widest possible audience.

## New MOS Members

The MOS would like to welcome the following new members. Please welcome them warmly at the next meeting.

Orilla Kay Baten  
Madeleine Homes  
Diane Kline  
Sandra Lockridge  
Chris Matthews

Lynn Pastore  
Jean Prema  
William and Marty Mercer  
Judy Spencer

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## Novice

1. *Paph. hirsuttissimum* - Suzanne Gaertner
2. *Den. Nora Tokunaga* - Charlotte Grahe
3. *Phal. Mem. Cecilia Rimland* - Janice Mazur

## Home Grown

1. *C. skinneri* 'Casa Luna' AM/AOS - Ernie Drohan
2. *Phrag. Sedenii* 'Roseum' - Marilyn Lauffer
3. Tie *Max. tenuifolia* - Nancy Duggan  
*Ascf. Cherry Blossom* - Bill Scharf

## Greenhouse Under 200 Square Feet

1. *Rl. glauca* - Michael Moran
2. *Paph. philippinense* - Lou Vadorsky
3. *Ascda. Hybrid* - Les Kirkegaard

## Greenhouse Over 200 Square Feet

1. *Den. kingianum* 'Joy Belle' - David Smith
2. *Den. Christmas Chime* 'Asuka' AM/AOS - Cy Swett
3. *Ascda. Bangsai Delight* - The Adamses

## Cattleya

1. *Epi. stamfordianum* - The Adamses
2. Tie *Slc. Jewel Box* 'Dark Waters' AM/AOS - Michael Moran  
*Slc. Rosemary Clooney* 'Nanae' - Cy Swett
3. Tie *Epi. Jubilee* - Clark Riley  
*Blc. Mem. Crispen Rosales* 'Shining Moment' AM/AOS - Eric Wiles

## Phalaenopsis

1. *Phal. stuartiana* 'Larkin Valley' AM/AOS - The Adamses
2. *Phal. aphrodite* - Bob Travers
3. Tie *Phal. Little Emperor* 'M' - Clark Riley  
*Phal. Rue Lyn Beauty* - Bill Soyke

## Oncidium

1. *Bapt. echinata* - The Adamses
2. *Onc. Kukoo* - Eric Wiles
3. *Pyp. (kramerianum X versteegianum)* - The Lundys

## Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium

1. *Paph. Saint Low* - The Adamses
2. Tie *Paph. micranthum* 'Turnberry' AM/AOS - David Smith  
*Phrag. Don Wimber* - Chris Zajac
3. Tie *Paph. Southern Alps* - Bill Scharf  
*Paph. Berenice* - Harriet Quandt

## Miscellaneous Hybrids

1. *Cym. Hybrid* - Sue Spicer
2. *Masd. Ted Khoe* 'Teddy Nguyen' AM/AOS - Bill Scharf
3. *Den. Red Emperor* 'Prince' - Cy Swett

## Species

1. Tie *Ang. sesquipedale* - Bob Travers  
*L. jongheana* 'Turnberry' AM/AOS - David Smith
2. Tie *Den. atroviolaceum* - The Adamses  
*Den. nobile var. alba* - Cy Swett
3. *Cad. taylori* 'Harford' - Bill Scharf

## Miniature

1. *Masd. Sunny Angel* 'Cheri' - Craig Sherman
2. *Sns. gemmata* - David Smith
3. *Masd. Maui Gold* - Bill Scharf

## First Bloom Seedling

1. *Soph. coccinea* - Clark Riley
2. *Paph. (Alma Gavaert X Todd Clark)* - Lou Vadorsky

## Fragrance

1. *Odcdm. Sunlight* 'Hilo Honey' - David Smith
2. *C. walkeriana var. alba* 'Pendentive' AM/AOS - Jamie Riegel
3. *B. Little Stars* - The Lundys

The Judges Choice of the Evening was *Ang. sesquipedale*, exhibited by Bob Travers. The judges were Ann Lundy, Joe Dockman and Bob Travers. We had a total of 109 beautiful plants displayed on the show table this month!

## know it all!

This column features the MOS' Judges' Choice plant for the previous month. In March, Bob and Susan Travers' *Ang. sesquipedale* was awarded the honor. Following is Bob's description of how he grows his plant:

“The *Angraecum sesquipedale* has been in our family for many years. We bought this plant at Carter and Holmes as a 2" pot seeding. The age can be determined roughly in relation to its first bloom which coincided with the opening year for the National Capitol Judging Center. We are home grower hobbyists without a greenhouse. Our plants are grown under lights in the basement during the winter months. Lighting has ranged from multiple banks of mixed fluorescent tubes of one cool white to one warm white tube, to a bench with a 400 watt metal halide light on six foot track. Spring takes the plants outside for summer vacation staying there 'til late September or early October. Watering is once a week in the winter and a little more in the summer. I have no special feeding regiment. This bloom was the first time the plant has yielded four blooms.”



(Photo: M. Wolter)

## My Orchid Vacation

First let me say that I am borrowing the headline for this column from Gary Smith. He used this phrase in one of the many e-mails we have exchanged over the past months. The more I thought about this phrase the more it explained the way I feel about the Show and my involvement in it.

Like any great vacation, planning and preparation is the key to success. In this case that planning and preparation began late last summer by securing our place with the American Orchid Society in order to be a sanctioned AOS Show. We began our serious planning in early fall with the first Show Committee meeting and continued monthly through winter and early spring. I owe a great deal of gratitude to the Show Committee members for their dedication and commitment to making this Show a success. They are always eager to jump in and help solve any issues that arise and more than willing to put in many long hours of planning meetings, e-mails and phone calls. Many of these same members are present at the Show for all 3 days, not to mention being involved in the staging set-up, judging and tear-down. I feel very lucky to have such a great committee.

As with any vacation it begins with packing and then unpacking. In our case it was packing and unpacking the staging material on Tuesday. It's the first step in converting a cold, drab, colorless concrete building into Orchid Paradise—where I get to spend my Orchid Vacation. By the end of the day the orchids start to filter in and by Wednesday afternoon the Hall takes on a completely different look and feel, there's even the sweet fragrance of blooming orchids in the air. Thursday morning the metamorphosis is nearly complete. Exhibits and flowers are being judged ever so carefully by AOS judges. For me, the exhibits that filled the hall were the best yet, so many quality plants and beautiful exhibits. By Thursday evening the transformation is complete. The Preview Party is filled with happy people, anticipating an evening of fun conversation, good food and of course our first opportunity to take home souvenirs from our vacation, the first of many, I might add. Everywhere the eye looks, space is filled with color, different shapes and sizes of incredible orchids offered by high quality vendors. Friday comes and the doors are finally opened to the interested orchid public. The Hall takes on another feel. There is a buzz of activity as shoppers move from one sales table to another searching and often filling boxes with plants they can't resist, who can?

As always, the crowds of admirers and shoppers are well taken care of by the MOS membership. I am truly lucky to have such giving members. We had over 50 members volunteer their time by organizing, making boxes, giving tours and talks, packing and checking plants and much more, those efforts that make this

Show a success. That's nearly forty percent participation. That's amazing! It couldn't happen without you. Friday, Saturday and Sunday become sort of a blur as the long days go by quickly. As Sunday afternoon rolls around I always get the same feeling. I'm sad to see another Show, and my Orchid Vacation coming to an end. All the work, preparation and fun of the week seems to go by in a blink. Lucky for us, we have our ninja fighting, sky diving ace photographer Laura "broken foot" Sobelman to expertly record the vacation through the beautiful images on the following pages.

As the Show ends I'm often asked "how did we do", "did we do ok". In our current economy, I can say we held our own. One thing is for sure. From an organizational, and preparedness standpoint, we have never had a better Show. Through the efforts of the membership and Show Committee, we presented a Show that was seamless and smooth from set-up to tear-down and all steps in between. I applaud each and every one of you for your time and tireless work. The Show is absolutely made possible by you. Thank You!

Bill Scharf  
Maryland Orchid Society, Show Chair  
Vice President

### Thanks to the Many MOS Volunteers

Paul Beiderman  
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Lorie Lee-Young\*  
Lou Vadorsky  
Aaron Webb  
Eric Wiles\*  
Chris Zajak

\* Indicates member  
of the Show  
Committee

# MOS show 2009 results

For a complete list of the show results go to the MOS Web site at [www.marylandorchids.org](http://www.marylandorchids.org)

Award Name	Sponsored Name	Entry Name	Exhibitor Name
Best Commercial Exhibit	The Gerald Brown Memorial Award	Commercial Exhibit, 100-Square-Foot	The Little Greenhouse
Best First-Time Hobbyist Exhibit	The Duggan Award	Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top	Sarah Hurdel
Best Table-Top Exhibit	The W. Pitts Riley Memorial Award	Hobbyist Exhibit, 12-Square-Foot Table-Top	David Smith
Best Hobbyist Exhibit	The Buck Award	Hobbyist Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot	Steve and Rachael Adams
Best Orchid Society Exhibit	The Kensington Orchids Award	Society Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot	National Capital Orchid Society
Runner Up Orchid Society Exhibit	The Kensington Orchids Award	Society Exhibit, 25-Square-Foot	Southeastern Penn Orchid Soc.
Best Educational Exhibit		Three Paphiopedilum	The Little Greenhouse
Best Interpretation of Show Theme	The Rachel Miller Award	Hobbyist Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot	Steve and Rachael Adams
Best Angraecum Alliance in Show		Aerangis citrata	Steve and Rachael Adams
Best Bulbophyllum Alliance in Show	The Sobelman Award	Megaclinium falcatum	Fishing Creek Orchids
Best Commercial Cattleya Alliance	The Swett Award	L. sincorana 'Harford', AM/AOS [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Hobbyist Cattleya Alliance	The Bud Hammond Memorial Award	Laelia jongheana 'Turnberry'	David Smith
Best Cattleya Alliance in Show		L. sincorana 'Harford', AM/AOS [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Cymbidium Alliance in Show	The Adams Award	Cymbidium Green Glass	Waldor Orchids
Best Commercial Paphiopedilum Species		Paph. delenatii [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Commercial Paphiopedilum Hybrid	The Travers Award	Paphiopedilum Jerry Spence 'Debbie' FCC/AOS	Waldor Orchids
Best Hobbyist Paphiopedilum Species	The Howard King Memorial Award	Paph. delenatii 'Remlok' AM/AOS	William Kollmer
Best Hobbyist Paphiopedilum Hybrid	The Charlie Geis Memorial Award	Paphiopedilum (Black Cherry x Sue Franz)	Valerie Lowe
Best Commercial Phragmipedium		Phrag. Mem. Garren Weaver 'Suzanne'	Piping Rock Orchids
Best Hobbyist Phragmipedium	Dagmar's Joy Award	Phrag. Penn's Creek	Susquehanna Orchid Society
Best Phragmipedium in Show	The Memorial Anne Woods Lowe Award	Phrag. Mem. Garren Weaver 'Suzanne'	Piping Rock Orchids
Best Cypripedium Alliance in Show	The Gary Smith Award	Paphiopedilum Jerry Spence 'Debbie' FCC/AOS	Waldor Orchids
SOA Award		Paphiopedilum Jerry Spence 'Debbie' FCC/AOS	Waldor Orchids
Best Commercial Dendrobium Alliance	The Bill Ellis Sr. Memorial Award	Dendrobium tetragonum 'Harford', AM/AOS	The Little Greenhouse
Best Hobbyist Dendrobium Alliance	The Jos A. Venturina Award	Den. smilliae	Tina Wood
Best Dendrobium Alliance in Show		Den. smilliae	Tina Wood
Best Dendrochilum in Show		Dendrochilum curranii	David Smith
Best Commercial Epidendrum Alliance		Epidendrum erectifolium 'Woodstream' CHM/AOS	Woodstream Orchids
Best Hobbyist Epidendrum Alliance		Epidendrum melanoporphyreum	Steve and Rachael Adams
Best Epidendrum Alliance in Show	The Wiles/Holdridge Award	Epidendrum erectifolium 'Woodstream' CHM/AOS	Woodstream Orchids
Best Lycaste Alliance in Show	The Howard Eskildson Award	Angust. Aurora 'Harford', AM/AOS	The Little Greenhouse
Best Maxillaria Alliance in Show		Maxillaria juergensis 'Harford', CCM/AOS	The Little Greenhouse
Best Commercial Miscellaneous Genera		Phaius tankervilleae	Waldor Orchids
Best Hobbyist Miscellaneous Genera		Coelogyne flaccida	Cyrus Swett
Best Miscellaneous Genera in Show		Coelogyne flaccida	Cyrus Swett
Best Commercial Oncidium Alliance	The Dorothy Powell Kelt Memorial Award	Milt. Andrea West [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Hobbyist Oncidium Alliance	The Helen Soyke Memorial Award	Onc. Orchidom Baby Joy 'River's End' AM/AOS	Steve and Rachael Adams
Best Oncidium Alliance in Show		Milt. Andrea West [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Commercial Phalaenopsis Alliance	The Wendy Soyke Award	Dtps Martha Dolge 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS	Woodstream Orchids
Best Hobbyist Phalaenopsis Alliance	The Little Greenhouse Award	Phalaenopsis honghenensis 'Mr Tippit'	Margaret Smith
Best Phalaenopsis Alliance in Show	The Gary Smith Award	Dtps Martha Dolge 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS	Woodstream Orchids
IPA Award		Dtps Martha Dolge 'Mendenhall' AM/AOS	Woodstream Orchids
Best Commercial Pleurothallid Alliance		Masdevallia livingstoneane	Woodstream Orchids
Best Hobbyist Pleurothallid Alliance		Zo. endresianum	Jos Venturina & Maria Santos
Best Masdevallia in Show	The William Scharf Award	Masdevallia livingstoneane	Woodstream Orchids
Best Pleurothallid Alliance in Show	The "Doc" Scharf Memorial Award	Masdevallia livingstoneane	Woodstream Orchids
Best Vanda Alliance in Show	The Mrs. Benigna Venturina Award	Vanda Trevor Rathbone 'Banjong' AM/AOS	Waldor Orchids
Best Grower's Choice Plant	The Santos Award	Paphiopedilum Jerry Spence 'Debbie' FCC/AOS	Waldor Orchids
Best Commercial Miniature		Microterangtis hariotiana	Fishing Creek Orchids
Best Hobbyist Miniature		Phalaenopsis honghenensis 'Mr Tippit'	Margaret Smith
Best Miniature in Show	The Margaret Smith Award	Microterangtis hariotiana	Fishing Creek Orchids
Best First-Bloom Seedling in Show	The Jack L. Robbins Memorial Award	Paph Born Cross-Eyed 'Folly's End'	Woodstream Orchids
Most Pleasing Fragrance	The Lee-Young Award	Polystachya pubescens	Bill Soyke
Best Commercial Species	The Clark Riley Award	Megaclinium falcatum	Fishing Creek Orchids
Best Hobbyist Species	The John Gardner Memorial Award	Phalaenopsis honghenensis 'Mr Tippit'	Margaret Smith
Best Species in Show	The Lundy Award	Dendrobium tetragonum 'Harford', AM/AOS	The Little Greenhouse
Best Plant in Show	The Merritt Huntington Memorial Award	Milt. Andrea West [#1]	The Little Greenhouse
Best Specimen Plant in Show	The Smith Award	Megaclinium falcatum	Fishing Creek Orchids
ODC Award		Hobbyist Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot	Steve and Rachael Adams
AOS Show Trophy		Commercial Exhibit, 100-Square-Foot	The Little Greenhouse
Best Art in Show	The P. Jean Soyke Memorial Award	Art, Color Photography [#1]	Paul Biederman

# MCS show 2009 photos



Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top, Second Place, Sarah Spence



Best First-Time Hobbyist Exhibit, The Duggan Award  
Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top, First Place, Sarah Hurdel



Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top, First Place, Nancy Duggan



Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top, Second Place, Judith Picciotto



Hobbyist Exhibit, 3 Blooming Orchids Table-Top, Honorable Mention, Hanna Jardel



Most Pleasing Fragrance  
The Lee-Young Award, Polystachya pubescens  
Bill Soyke



Best Dendrochilum in Show, Hobbyist Miniature, Second Place, Dendrochilum curranii  
David Smith



Hobbyist, 3 blooming Orchids Table-Top, Third Place, Marilyn Lauffer, Janice Mazur, Joann Russo



Best Table-Top Exhibit, The W. Pitts Riley Memorial Award, Hobbyist Exhibit, 12-Square-Foot Table-Top, Hobbyist Exhibit, 12-Square-Foot Table-Top, First Place, David Smith



Hobbyist, 12-Square-Foot Table-Top, Second Place, Marilyn Lauffer, Janice Mazur, Joann Russo, Joan Roderick, Suzanne Gaertner



Hobbyist Exhibit, 9-Square-Foot Table-Top, First Place, Jos Venturina and Maria Santos



Hobbyist Exhibit, 9-Square-Foot Table-Top, Second Place, Margaret Smith



White Phal with color lip, Bill Mercer



Best Art in Show, The P. Jean Soyke Memorial Award  
Art, Color Photography [#1], Paul Biederman



Hobbyist Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot, Second Place, Valerie Lowe



Best Hobbyist Exhibit, The Buck Award, Hobbyist Exhibit, 50-Square-Foot, Best Interpretation of Show theme, The Rachel Miller Award, ODC Award, Steve and Rachael Adams



Hobbyist Exhibit, 15-Square-Foot, First Place, Eric and Becky Wiles



Hobbyist Exhibit, 15-Square-Foot, Second Place, Cyrus Swett



Best Hobbyist Miscellaneous Genera, Best Miscellaneous Genera in Show, Coelogyne flaccida, Cyrus Swett



Color Photography, Second Place, Sarah Hurdel



Grower's Choice, Pleurothallid Alliance, First Place, Hobbyist Pleurothallid Alliance, Masdevallia, Second Place Masd. imposter x floribunda, Bill Scharf



AOS Show Trophy, Commercial Exhibit, 100-Square-Foot; Best Commercial Exhibit, The Gerald Brown Memorial Award, Commercial Exhibit, 100-Square-Foot The Little Greenhouse



Grower's Choice, Vanda Alliance, First Place, Vanda Hybrid, Les Kirkegaard



Grower's Choice, first Place, Miniature, Hobbyist Pleurothallid Alliance, Masdevallia, Third Place, Masd. Maui Gold, Bill Scharf



Hobbyist Pleurothallid Alliance, Other Genera Honorable Mention, Sacaphasephalum Repax, Eic Wiles



Commercial Miscellaneous Genera, Flowers , Third Place, Gga. quinque-nervis, The Little Greenhouse



Best Educational Exhibit, Three Paphiopedilum The Little Greenhouse



Hobbyist Phalaenopsis Alliance, Yellow w-w/o Spots/Stripes, Phal. (Bamboo Baby 'Coqui' x Taipei Gold 'Gold Star'), Honorable Mention, Janice Mazur



Commercial Paphiopedilum, Maudiae Type Hybrids , Second Place, Paph Macabre 'Harford's Phantom' AM/ AOS, The Little Greenhouse

## Q&A

### My *Masdevallia* Needs Help

**Q.** I got a *Masdevallia* Swallow 'Loch Raven' in May that was doing pretty well. It has a lot of new growth but they are yellowing and the leaf tips are now turning brown. I re-potted it in January in bark and some sphagnum moss and started watering it with distilled water and not fertilizing it since I understand they don't like fertilizer. Black leaf tips could be water or salts? I have it in a north east window in a cool bathroom.

~ Laura Sobelman



**A.** I think you're on the right track. Too much fertilizer. I generally use half strength for my *Masdevallias*. They're not heavy feeders. The other issue is that *Masdevallias* need good water and you could have a salt build up as well which will also cause the leaf tips to turn brown or black.

My suggestion would be to use a better quality water as you have

started to do and not fertilize for a couple months. You will notice that the growth will slow down during the summer and you'll need a cooler more shaded environment to get the plant through the hot months.

The last thing is to understand the parents of the cross. *Masdevallia* Swallow is a cross of *M. Falcata* x *infracta*. *Infracta* is an intermediate temp grower, not warmer than 80, the issue comes in when you look at *M. Falcata*. *Falcata* is a primary hybrid

of *Masdevallia coccinea* and *Masdevallia vietchiana*. Both of the species are cool growers and *coccinea* is often classified as a cold grower. In other words your plant should probably not get over 75-80 at the very most any time including the summer, some would say cooler than that.

That's what makes growing the *Masdevallias* a challenge. The upside is they can be very rewarding with many beautiful, colorful flowers.

The *Masdevallia* genus is without a doubt my favorite and I'm more than happy to try and help growers with them. Give your plant some time to recover, but keep a close watch on it.

~ Bill Scharf

### A Shout Out to The Little Greenhouse

We'd like to recognise Tom McBride and Gary Krause of The Little Greenhouse for their mention in Susan Reimer's column in the March 26 *Baltimore Sun*. In the article, "Orchids Can Be Hardier Than You Think," Tom and Gary recommend purchasing orchids from greenhouses and nurseries where the plants are well-established and healthy, as opposed to grocery stores and big-box stores where the plants might be stressed and crammed in shipping.



For more on this article go to <http://www.baltimoresun.com/features/custom/homegarden/bal-li.susan26.mar26,0,2425145.story>

If you'd like to see or have a copy of the article see Laura Sobelman at the next meeting.

## April MOS Board Meeting

The next MOS Board meeting is at Marilyn Lauffer's home on April 23. Light dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. Meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

# 2009 Longwood show exhibit results

The Maryland Orchid Society placed 3rd out of 5 exhibits in the 49-75 sq. ft. Hobbyist class thanks to the hard work of the installation team (Steve and Rachael Adams, Valerie Lowe, and Gary Smith) using plants donated by Steve and Rachael Adams, Ernie Drohan, Nancy Duggan, Suzanne Gaertner, Sarah Hurdel, Marilyn Lauffer, Valerie Lowe, Ann Lundy, Norma Lynch, The Little Greenhouse, Clark Riley, Bill

Scharf, David Smith, Gary Smith, Sarah Spence, Cyrus Swett, Eric Wiles, Barry Woolf, and Lorie Lee-Young. Plants in the exhibit garnered 4 Best in Show ribbons and an HCC plant quality award was granted by the American Orchid Society judges to Valerie Lowe's plant of Paphiopedilum Hsinying Beltre.

Other plants won ribbons, as well:

Exhibitor	Plant	Ribbon
Adams	Bc. Golden Jewel	1
Adams	Den. atrovioleaceum #1	1
Adams	Dtps. Join Angel #3	1, Best in Hobbyist Phal
Adams	Lc. Rojo 'Barbara' HCC/AOS	3
Adams	Paph. Mesquakie	2
Adams	Paph. delenatii #1	1, Best Hobbyist Paph
Adams	Paph. esquirelei	2
Adams	Paph. Saint Low	3
Adams	Pps. labukensis	2
D Smith	C. intermedia 'Do Heitor'	1
D Smith	Paph. hirsutissimum	3
D Smith	Sns. gemmata	3
Hurdel	Phal. Nola Bel	3
Lowe	Cym. canaliculatum	3
Lowe	Dtps. Join Angel #1	2
Lowe	Dtps. Join Angel #2	2
Lowe	Gdlra. Tahitian Dancer	1
Lowe	Paph. (Black Cherry x Sue Franz)	1
Lowe	Paph. Hsinying Beltre	1
Lowe	Paph. Es Low	1
Lowe	Paph. rothschildianum	3
Lowe	Phal. Fancy Moon	1
Lowe	Phal. Long Pride First Love	2
Lundy	Dtps. Taida Prince Pearl	1
Scharf	Ascf. Cherry Blossom	1
Scharf	Masd. Maui Gold	2
Scharf	Onc. cheirophorum	2
Spence	Slc. Hazel Boyd 'Apricot Glow'	2
Swett	Den. Christmas Chime 'Asuka', AM/AOS	3
TLG	Brs. arcuigera 'Caruso', AM/AOS	2
TLG	Masd. Copper Angel 'Highland', HCC/AOS	1, Best Pleurothallid
TLG	Milt. Andrea West '#1', AM/AOS	1, Best Oncidium
TLG	Phal. stuartiana 'Larkin Valley' AM/AOS	2
TLG	Phrag. Nitidissimum 'Glennyrie', AM/AOS	2

Paph. Hsinying Beltre 'Maui's Winner', HCC/AOS



With the help of Sarah Hurdel, the installation team made short work of dismantling the exhibit at the close of the show.

Valerie Lowe, Away Shows Chair

# Focus on Phals Day

Saturday, May 16, 2009

A&P Orchid Nursery, 110 Peters Road, Swansea, MA 02777

Sponsored by the Northeast Regions of the International Phalaenopsis Alliance

A & P Orchid Nursery, Swansea, MA will serve as the spring venue for the Northeast IPA Regions on Saturday, May 16, 2009. This day-long event will include keynote speaker Carri Raven-Riemann, Founder, Past President and Regional Director of IPA, speaking on The Best of the Best. Joining her will be Tina Balog on Phalaenopsis Culture and Patti Lee on The Newest Light Trends. The day will include a roundtable discussion groups and a mini-auction. The fee of \$15 covers the cost of morning refreshments and a catered lunch. We welcome all orchidists, IPA members & non-members alike. In addition, this annual event will provide you with the opportunity to purchase plants from the following vendors: A & P Orchids, The orchidPhile and Tina's Terrific Plants.



## Speaker Schedule:

- 9:00 - 10:00 am: Morning refreshments. Sales area open.
- 10:00 - 10:45 am: Carri Raven-Riemann, Keynote Speaker, on "The Best of the Best – The Latest from Taiwan"
- 10:45 - 11:00 am: Q & A with Carri Raven Riemann
- 11:00 - 11:45 am: Tina Balog, Session on Phalaenopsis culture
- 11:45 - 12:00 noon: Q & A with Tina Balog
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm: Lunch Break. Sales area open.
- 1:00 - 1:30 pm: Auction to raise money for future meetings
- 1:30 - 2:15 pm: Patti Lee, The newest trends in lights
- 2:15 - 2:45 pm: Ask the Experts: Roundtable Discussion
- 2:45 - 3:30 pm: Sales area open



\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: Registration, by mail or phone, is extremely important so that sufficient food can be provided for all! Additional information will also be available on the IPA Website ([www.phal.org](http://www.phal.org))

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Enclosed is my check for \_\_\_\_\_ registration(s) at \$15 each (payable to IPA)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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Send form with check : c/o Marilyn Shapiro, 235 East 87th Street, Apt 5L, New York, NY 10128.

PLEASE NOTE: You may pay at the door but please make your reservation by calling Marilyn Shapiro at 917-881-7181 or 212-831-3076 at least 24 hours in advance so we may order sufficient food for attendees.



*Susquehanna Orchid Society*

# Spring Orchid Auction

*at Stauffers of Kissel Hill - Mechanicsburg*

The Susquehanna Orchid Society of South-Central Pennsylvania invites you to join us at our annual spring orchid auction:

**Saturday, April 18  
1-4 pm**

Orchids, suitable for the home window sill as well as greenhouse grower, in a wide range of sizes with flowers of dazzling colors and shape will be auctioned to one and all.

There will be a plant raffle and door prizes, along with food and refreshments available.

This is a wonderful event. Learn about and discover orchids. Start or build your collection with quality plants in Pennsylvania's premier setting for gardening supplies and expertise.

## Please Claim Your Plants!

Several unsold plants were left on the member sales table at the end of the show on 15 March. Please contact Gary Smith if you think they might be yours. Thank you.

## For the Nattily-dressed Orchidophile

We are currently taking orders for blue denim shirts with "Maryland Orchid Society" and an orchid embroidered on them. Shirts are \$33 each and can be ordered at the next meeting from Ann Lundy. Choose your size and orchid embroidery style— *Paphiopedilum*, *Phalaenopsis*, *Cattleya*— and we will have them by the following meeting. For photos of the shirts, go to <http://www.celebrateorchids.com/shop/shirts.html>

## Maryland Orchid Society Workshop

**April 18, 2009**  
**St. David's Church**  
**4700 Roland Ave**  
**Baltimore, MD 21210**  
**10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
**\$15 includes a yummy lunch**  
**[www.marylandorchids.org](http://www.marylandorchids.org)**



For info or to help contact Eric Wiles at [winvet88@yahoo.com](mailto:winvet88@yahoo.com)



Tom McBride of The Little Greenhouse speaks at last year's workshop.

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